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any other pertinent information concerning-yourself.

A. My name is Carl Edward STEGMAIER, Jr. I am a Frivate First Class in the United States Marine Coros, and my serial number is 286478. My permanent home address is 1612 Stewart, Kansas City, Kansas.

ere you the victim of any beatings or torture by the Japanese.

A. Yes. While I was an inmate of Fiang an Frison Camp, China, on 20 January 1945, I, together with one Marshal E. FIFLDS and three other men whose names I do not recall, was beyoneted by a Japanese guard during an air raid by American air forces. FIELDS was a member of the United States Marine Corps and was captured while serving with an anti-aircraft battalion on wake Island.

The raid was made by a group of United States fighter planes which had succeeded in shooting down two Japanese bombers that were above the camp. Puring the raid all prisoners had been confined to their barracks by order of the Japanese. The success of the raid elicited cheers from some of those prisoners within the barracks.

I was seated in the Barracks #1 drinking coffee when one of the Japanese entered. He asked the identity of those who had cheered but received no answer. He thereupon lunged with his bayonet at me and bayoneted me in the left hip. The blade penetrated to the tone.

The guard then crossed to where one Robert Lercy FREY (a member of the United States Merine Corps captured on Wake Island while serving with a machine gun unit) and pounded FREY about the head with his rifle butt until FREY was almost unconscious.

The guard continued his questioning as to the identity of those who cheered but without any reply. He next lunged with his bayonet at the above named FIELDS and bayoneted him on the inside of the left thigh just below the genitals.

There he found a prisoner who had been sent in from outside the compound endeavoring to enter his barracks. This prisoner was one HARRISON, a member of the United States Marine Corps captured with the legation guard, Peking, China. The Japanese guard summarily bayoneted dARRISON, wounding him in one leg.

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The Japanese guard proceeded from Farracks 2 to Barracks #3 and #4. He bayoneted a civilian named ALTERS who had been captured on ake Island wounding him in the leg also and as I recall, this was down in Barracks #3. Thile at Barracks #3 he fired several rounds at the United States planes passing overhead. Proceeding to Barracks #4 from Barracks #3, the Japanese guard bayoneted one CRIST MSON who was also a civilian captured upon Make Island. CRIST MSON had been sent to the compound from his work outside and was endeavoring to enter his barracks.

I did not personally witness the bayonetings of HARRISON, ALTERS, and CERISTENSON, but I heard the above information from them personally while we were hospitalized in the camp after the bayoneting.

I do not know the full identity of the Japanese guard in question but his nickname within the camp was "Sugar." The camp at the time was under the command of a Japanese Colonel named OPERA.

Those prisoners who had been beyoneted had been questioned that evening by the Japanese through the camp interpretor, one MURUSALU, and a Japanese First Lieutenant named MIASAKI. Two days later the guard was transferred to another post unknown to me and the Japanese gave out the information that he had been beaten for the bayoneting.

I can recall nothing further concerning these incidents which would be of value to the war Grimes Office and I do not have any other information favorable or unfavorable which I consider of sufficient importance to report.

(E) Carl 5. Stermaier, Jr.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA :

: SS

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I, <u>Carl Edward Stegmaier</u>, <u>Jr.</u>, of lawful age, being duly sworn, state that I have read the foregoing transcription of my interrogation, consisting of <u>two</u> pages, and that all answers contained therein are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(S) Carl E. Stegmaler, Jr.

Subscribed and s orn to before me this 18th day of Cotober, 1945, at Oakland, California.

(S) Thomas T. Guerin (Rank) Lt. USER

STATE OF CALIFORNIA :

SS

County of Alameda

I, Lieutenant T. uerin, U.S.N.R., certify that (rame)
Carl dward STEGM IER, Jr., (Rank) Pfc, USAC (ASN) 286478,
personally appeared before me on the 8th day of October, 1945, and
testified concerning war crimes; and that the foregoing is an accurate
transcription of the answers given by him to the several questions set

forth.

Place: Oakland, California

(S) T. uerin

(3) Thomas T. uerin

Date: 8 October 1945

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(S) Harryman Dorsey

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 私 (1 號兵幣ノ中デ座ツテコーヒーラ飲ンデキマ)

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